

## Hammarite

## Pb<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>2</sub>Bi<sub>4</sub>S<sub>9</sub>

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**Crystal Data:** Orthorhombic. *Point Group:* 2/m 2/m 2/m or mm2. As short prisms or needles.

**Physical Properties:** Cleavage: Good on {010}. Fracture: Flat conchoidal. Hardness = 3–4 VHN = 186 D(meas.) = 6.74 D(calc.) = 7.05

**Optical Properties:** Opaque. Color: Steel-gray with red tint. Streak: Black.

Luster: Metallic.

R<sub>1</sub>–R<sub>2</sub>: (400) 39.7–43.6, (420) 39.8–43.7, (440) 39.8–43.8, (460) 39.9–44.0, (480) 40.1–44.1, (500) 40.3–44.4, (520) 40.2–44.6, (540) 40.1–44.6, (560) 40.0–44.7, (580) 39.9–44.7, (600) 39.8–44.6, (620) 39.6–44.4, (640) 39.4–44.1, (660) 39.1–43.7, (680) 38.8–43.3, (700) 38.6–42.9

**Cell Data:** Space Group: *Pbnm* or *Pbn2*<sub>1</sub>. *a* = 33.7726(8) *b* = 11.5857(3) *c* = 4.01  
Z = 4

**X-ray Powder Pattern:** Dzhida deposit, Russia.

3.63 (10b), 3.14 (10b), 4.01 (9b), 3.56 (8), 2.83 (8b), 2.00 (8), 1.973 (8)

### Chemistry:

	(1)	(2)	(3)
Pb	27.40	23.13	24.87
Cu	7.60	7.69	7.63
Bi	47.59	49.00	50.18
S	17.01	17.57	17.32
rem.	0.04	2.71	
Total	99.64	100.10	100.00

(1) Gladhammar, Sweden; remnant is insoluble; corresponds to Pb<sub>2.24</sub>Cu<sub>2.03</sub>Bi<sub>3.86</sub>S<sub>9.00</sub>.

(2) Dzhida deposit, Russia; remnant Zn 1.78%, SiO<sub>2</sub> 0.50%, Ag 0.17%, Sb 0.14%, Fe 0.05%, Sn 0.05%, Te 0.02%, Se 0.004%; corresponds to Pb<sub>1.83</sub>Cu<sub>1.99</sub>Bi<sub>3.85</sub>S<sub>9.00</sub>. (3) Pb<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>2</sub>Bi<sub>4</sub>S<sub>9</sub>.

**Occurrence:** Of hydrothermal origin.

**Association:** Padéraite, pekoite, bismuthinite, chalcopyrite, grossular, andradite (Băița, Romania); pyrite, sphalerite (Dzhida deposit, Russia).

**Distribution:** From Gladhammar, Kalmar, Sweden [TL]. In the Dzhida Mo–W deposit, and from Inkur, Transbaikal, Russia. At Băița (Rézbánya), and from Baia Borșa, Baia Mare (Nagybánya), Romania. Found in the Loch Shin monzogranite, near Lairg, Scotland. From along the Avoca River, Co. Wicklow, Ireland. At the Felbertal tungsten mine, Salzburg, Austria. In the Victoria district, Doña Ana Co., New Mexico, and from the Outlaw mine, Round Mountain district, Nye Co., Nevada, USA. In the Julcani district, Peru.

**Name:** For the locality at Gladhammar, Sweden.

**Type Material:** Swedish Museum of Natural History, Stockholm, Sweden.

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